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POINT BEFORE THE POLITICAL OPTION HAS BEEN PLAYED OUT MORE FULLY.  
SADAT MUST ALSO KNOW THAT, RESORT TO TO WAR, BEFORE ALL POLITICAL  
POSSIBILITIES ARE EXHAUSTED, WOULD RISK THE LOSS OF ALL US  
GOODWILL.

IT IS CONCEIVABLE THAT EGYPTIAN ~~CONCERN~~ CONCERN OVER  
CURRENT ISRAELI MILITARY MANEUVERING HAS CAUSED ARMED FORCES  
COMMANDERS TO CONCLUDE THAT PREPARATIONS FOR POSSIBLE PRE-EMPTIVE  
ACTION ARE REQUIRED. GENERAL GAMASY MAY IN ANY CASE HAVE DECIDED  
THAT MILITARY PRUDENCE REQUIRES ALL PRECAUTIONS SHORT OF WAR TO  
FACE ISRAEL'S MILITARY EXERCISES IN THE SINAI

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THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY, HOWEVER SLIGHT, THAT CAIRO HAS  
BECOME SO PESSIMISTIC OVER PROSPECTS FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION  
THAT IT WOULD UNDERTAKE HOSTILITIES IN THE BELIEF THAT THIS  
MIGHT AGAIN INDUCE MOVEMENT IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND THAT CAIRO

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COULD ■■■ MAKE A GOOD ENOUGH CASE TO JUSTIFY ITS ACTIONS IN WASHINGTON'S EYES.

THE EGYPTIANS DO NOT BELIEVE THEY CAN GO AHEAD WITH FURTHER NEGOTIATION ON THEIR OWN FRONT BEFORE THE WEST BANK QUESTION HAS SEEN SOME PROGRESS. THEY HAVE BEEN UNABLE, HOWEVER, TO BRING ABOUT ANY INTER-ARAB AGREEMENT ON HOW THIS SHOULD BE APPROACHED. CAIRO MAY ALSO SEE LITTLE REAL HOPE THAT ISRAEL CAN BE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE ON ■■■ ARAB TERMS EVEN IF THE ARABS AGREE AMONG THEMSELVES. ISRAELI WAR TALK AND MILITARY MANEUVERS OF RECENT WEEKS HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY NOT ADDED TO CAIRO'S CONFIDENCE. ■■■ E-2, IMPDET-H

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